HOW THE MEMORY OF PUBLIUS IS HONORED PROM AN OCCASIONAL CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE.

VALLETTA, Maita, May 7.

This is the season of the year when saints days

are the most frequent in Malta; and there are more saints in the Maltese calendar than are dreamed of in Protestant theology. Many of the saints have local origin and renown only, but because they were home-bodies and did not scatter the beauty of their holiness over other lands and peoples such saints are beld in this tight and bright little island in perhaps higher and more sincere and affectionate rever ence on that very account. Then there is a still less order of saints, saints of the household, whose hum ble and retiring influences are shed only within the circle of Maltese homes. I saw a cheap little print of one such in the scant dwelling of a poor but pious Maltese woman not long since. It was framed in pebbles and shells and surrounded with a small forest of thin candles ready to light on the occurrence of an anniversary. This saint was born and did useful deeds of charity and finally died of the plague while in the act of ministering bodily and spiritual comfort to her stricken countrymen on this island. She had never been out of Malta. Her sweet and gracious memory sainted her. She has no fame other than that of locality, but her very lowliness and unpretending position in the calendar makes her an ideal saint.

Standing very near to St. Paul in the numerous galaxy of saints is San Pubblio. Saints Paul and Publins are knitted close together in Maltese minds. In the ancient walled city of Citta Vecchia or Notabile, as the natives continue to call it I recently visited the grotto, a "holy and miraculous place," in which St. Paul lived for three months in company with St. Luke, St. Troplimus and the rest of his blessed and glorious companions." Over this grotto Grand Master Wignacourt, of the Order of the Knights, erected a church at his own expense and called it "the Church of St. Publius and the Sacred Grotto of St. Paul." You cannot get to St. Paul without going through St. Publins-as it were. The miraculous character of the grotto was demon strated to me by Fra Versallo, who told me how though the grotto had been used as a quarry at different periods and much stone from its natural walls taken away, still it has always remained of the same size as when St. Paul occupied it. The reason given me why St. Paul dwelt in this rade cave, although the "inhabitants received him was that "the people were still worshippers of heathen gods, and skill, patience and care and some secrecy were necessary at first in introducing the new religion." The cathedral of St. Peter and St. Paul stands on the spot where Publius In order that I might obtain more knowledge

St. Publins and of his career than I was possessed of, I applied to my good and knowing friend Mr. "Tem" Velia, who, belonging to an old and excellent Makese family and being a stannch and true Roman Catholic of extensive reading, most kindly favored me with the information that follows. I will quote his own words:

"When St. Paul, on his way to Rome, there to be tried as a seditious Roman subject, was wrecked or our shores, he and all the people who were in the same ship were received by the Maltese population with the greatest hospitality and respect, as all his torians, amongst whom St. Lucas (who was an eye witness) unaimously confirm. The reigning princ of Malta at that time was Publins, by many writers said to have belonged to a Maltese family and by others of Grecian birth. This prince, whose talents and knowledge had been so great as to make him after some time to be elected Bishop of Athens-in those days the seat of literature and culture of the fine arts-was one of the first in the island to abandon idolatry and follow the evangelical preceptwhich had begun to be opened all over the world. "When St. Paul landed at the Kala |St. Paul's

Bayl, after having providentially performed the mirsele of the Viper, his prodigious feat was that of delivering Publius's father from an illness which h had been suffering from a long time, and which St. Paul by simply placing both his hands on the old man's head and uttering a short prayer to Heaver had the consolation of seeing at once disappear giving thus a proof of the holiness of the precepts of the religion he was preaching. The conversion of Publius and his father led a great part of the popu lation to embrace Christianity at once; and St Paul on leaving Malta after a stay of three mouths during which he had succeeded in firmly establish ing the principles of the new creed, aspointed to leave in him a strong upholder of Christianity. But Publins's zeal and piety were soon made known to the Continent, and as Dionyslus, Bishop of Athens, had of late suffered martyrdom, he was sent to that city there to continue the work commenced by his predecessor, and to meet likewise with a giorious end, by shedding his blood in the

defence of the Christian faith.

"Tradition records the place where St. Publius had his palatial residence, which, it is said, was situated at Notabile on the site where the cathedral church now stands, and where St. Paul and the other people who came with him, 276 in all, were sheltered. A few years ago the remains of a richly decorated old mansion in the vicinity were diswhole, the summer residence of St. Publius.

"This saint is said to have been martyred at Athens by being plunged in a den and there dewoured by lions, but there are no existing documents that speak of the manner of his death. That he suffered death by lions is, however, universally believed by the Maltese, though the Martyrologium of the Saints of the Roman Catholic Church affords

no information about it." Now on Sunday, the 26th of April, the Festival of San Pabblio (you can't make a mistake in the spelling of the first Bishop of Malta's name, even if you do it in four ways) reaches its climax, for its celebration extends through five days. The religious ecremonies and music during the four days preceding Sunday were attended by the inhabitants of A happy solemnity marked the bearing of the worshipping throngs and a sort of suppressed splendor isible throughout the rites. The huge stone church dedicated to San Pubblio stands in the sub urb of Valletta known as Floriana, and Floriana was the name of the Papal engineer who in 1635 designed the extensive fortifications that encompass the place. Directly in front of the church hes a stone-paved plaza which forms the famous sanken graparies built by the Knights, still used to store grain in by the British garrison. One of these for that had been overlooked was opened not long since and the grain that had been put into it 200 years ago was found to be sound and sweet. Over these fosse the people stroll up and down and a band often plays. Within the church crowds of people knell n devotion or listened to music during the five days festa. On San Pubblio's Eve (Saturday) a grand Illummation of the church and fireworks of set pieces came off. The fireworks were good but the Illumined church was a splendor. I thought as 1 stood leaning against the pillared tomb of the Mar. quis of Hastings in St. John's bastion on the ramparts overlooking Floriana, watching the throbbing flood of light that made the whole façade of San Pubblis a blaze of radiance, that I had never seen anything so exquisitely brilliant, and I think so Every detail of fret and capital and arch, of dome and battlement, was outlined by fire, 12,000 glass oil-cups of pink, white and green being used for the purpose. Near by one saw the wide spaces between the lights, but from my point of view a great double-towered, central-domed cathedral-front of redundant and wonderful beauty and harmony was only apparent. Thousands of people were standing on the granary platean facing and admiring the glowing spectacle. Suddenly from the high bell tawers of each fronting corner a few drops

made of the rankest kind of Virginia tobacco) for enny "snaked" their way through the cheerfu hrongs, and barefooted, one-suspendered gamin ollowed at a proper business-distance after the penny "snaked that way the through, and barefooted, one-suspendered gamins followed at a proper business-distance after the cigar venders, crying wax watches (which they carried in trays like type-fonts) at "hat-penny" a box. Ox-cyed, coarse-haired mothers sat in their doorways with cooing babies on their laps. Maltese maidens of succulent ages, pretrily bedecked in florid neckias es and long car pendants—always wearing a gilt Maltese cross at the throat—bent out of the picture-sque balconies that cycbrow every Maltese house.

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Read-eyed and barefooted sinewy Maltese boutmen from the Grand Harbor just below the town were out in strong force, wearing on their eurly heads becoming Scotch caps, from which long ribbons floated behind, and carrying their jackets thrown over their left shoulders with all the airy grace of Sicilian brigands. Maltese gentlemen in immaculate black oroadeloth suits with the latest London style of stove pipe hat, Maltese women in faldettas and with the prettiest little feet in the world, and British sailors and soldiers in blue and red uniforms, made up a messic of humanity very picture sque to observe and very diverting to stroll through.

through.

About 6 o'clock on Sunday evening the procession that always closes a saint's festalemerged from San Pubblio and took its solema, sluggish course through the streets of Floriana. How the belts pealed! How the bands played! How the bursting big fire-crackers rattled and sent up clouds of smoke! With what pride and reverence the thonsands and thousands of spectators uncovered and gazed at high-borne crucifixes flauked by silver lanterns on peles, at streaming banners of purple and crimson, at holy friar and priest slow marching, and finally at the image of St. Publius clad in gold and brown, bishop's intre and robes, holding a tenfoot long gilt episcopal crozier in his hand, and smiling benignly upon the crowd as he tectered along on a platform borne on the shoulders of a dozen white-gowned fatelli. At the two front corners of the platform stood a pair of very healthy, naked, small-winged cherulos who held the martyr's crown of glory in readiness to ofter. Behind the Saint a brouze-colored lion raised his paw and laid it on the Saint's shoulder (an attitude suggestive of serving a writ), and lighted candles in glass protectors fringed the whole extraordinary group. The mitre and the crozier and the breastplate were studded with real jewels. The priests of St. Publius were arrayed in gorgoous garments, but the barefooted monks from the Capnehin Convent were coarse robes and looked fer all the world like a double file of Peter-the-Hermits. About 6 o'clock on Sunday evening the procession

THE SHARON DIVORCE CASE. PERJURY CONFESSED BY WITNESSES.

GUSHING PENITENT-TIDIOUS EXPERT TESTI-

MONY-THE FAMOUS CONTRACT UNDER THE MICROSCOFE. SAN FRANCISCO, May 24.-The Sharon divorce

case has been diversified lately by some remarkable confessions of perjury on the part of witnesses for the plaintiff. Among the strongest testimony on her behalf was that of an old man named True and a young man named Wells, who swore that they had met Sharon one day on Kearney-st, walking with Sarah Althea, and that the ex-Senator had introduced her to them as his wife. And now comes: son of old True with the story that his father, who died recently, told him on his death-bed that this narrative of the introduction was a fiction. Upon learning this young True says he went to Wells and advised him to confess and put himself in the hands of Sharon's lawyers, who would see that no harm came to him, and that Wells finally agreed to this. Young Wells was put on the witness-stand. and at once began to cry, and confessed and cried, and cried and confessed, until everybody in the court-room was laughing at him. He put all the blame upon old True, who, being dead, could not give his version of the affair. Wells said that old True came to him, and saying that he was too old to earn money honestly, and too poor to do without it. proposed that they should form an alliance to make "pile" out of the Sharon case. Wells says that he and True realty did meet Sharon with a young woman one day, but that they had no acquaintane with the Senator, and no introduction took place. Old True, however, he alleged, declared that Miss Hill would give them \$250,000 to testify as he proposed, and so the arrangement was made.

Of course Wells was subjected to a scarching ross-examination, and he was made to admit that he had expected to be paid by the Sharon side for exposing his perjury. He does not appear to have realized that his liberty was endangered by his con fession, and when the judge ordered him to be com mitted for perjury he was evidently surprised and very much discouraged. Then came Mrs. Pleasants, a colored woman who had previously sworn that Sarah Althea had shown her the contract in 1880. and said that her conscience would not permit o go on deceiving the court, and that she too had testified falsely. Cross-examination of her and her husband revealed so much crookedness, however, that in committing her Judge Sullivan openly assorted his belief that her first testimony was true and her second false. As to True and Wells his con dusions were precisely opposite, so that each side received a "set-back" from these incidents.

Public opinion has by this time got into a hopeess muddle concerning the case. The general impression is that there has been a great deal of hard swearing" on both sides, and that neither plaintiff nor defendant is likely to stop at anything that may help. There is, however, much perplexity as to the share taken by the lawyers in the " way that are dark and tricks that are vain" which have characterized the case from the beginning. Of ourse it is tolerably obvious that as the plaintiff has no means her case must have been taken on a contingent fee, and it is generally admitted that covered and are supposed to have been, when Tyler, her principal counsel, is making a hold and obstinate fight for her. But the phases of life revealed throughout have been so peculiar that it is mpossible for any sincere sympathy to be aroused on either side, and nobody pretends to say what the

During the last week the proceedings have been omparatively dull, being confined almost entirely to examination of handwriting by the experts, and examination of the experts by the lawyers. The experts have expressed the opinion that in the letters written by Sharon in which the plaintiff is addressed "dear wife," the word "wife" is in most if not all cases an interpolation. Mr. Tyler fights them inch by inch, or rather letter by letter, on this point, consuming a whole day, for instance, in minute examinations of the letter "w," and doing Fioriana and Valletta with their customary fervork his best to trap the experts into admissions which will discredit their evidence, though apparently without much success so far. The celebrated man riage contract has also been the subject of prolonged ontest. The expert theory is that Sharon's signature which appears at the bottom of this preciondocument was originally written on a sheet of blank paper; that this sheet of paper was folded up and carried in some one's pocket for some time; and that after folds had thus been established in it and it

after folds had thus been established in it and it had become somewhat soiled, the centract was written upon the blank space over the signature.

Of course this theory is hereely attached by Tyler, and no end of experiments have been made to show whether appearances similar to those on the contract would result from writing across folds in a piece of paper. The microscope has been in constant use, and at brief intervals. Court, lawyers and experts would gather round the instrument, and endeavor to see for themselves the minute indications whose presence was alleged by the experts. A slight enlivenment of the proceedings was caused one day by the imprudent petuliance of Miss Hill. A slight enlivenment of the proceedings was caused one day by the imprudent petulance of Miss Hill, who sent a note to one of the experts at the conclusion of the session, speaking her mind freely about the character of his testimony, and, as was charged, calling him some hard names. The Court was appealed to by the defence to protect the witness and punish he fair ofender, but he did not appear anxious to do anything very severe, and the

appear anxious to no anything very severe, and the matter apparently dropped.

The stage upon which the case has now entered may continue almost indefinitely, for the plaintid evidently intends to examine great masses of the defendant's handwriting—"two bushels" of checks, for instance, having been already called for—in order to obtain the material for comparison with the letters in the word, with "in the scralled. order to obtain the material for comparison with the letters in the word "wite" in the so-called "dear-wife" letters. Meantime the reporters are hard put to it to make their daily reports sufficiently amising, and latterly they have been driven to de-scribe the costime worn by the plaintiff and the dress of the various lawyers. As this kind of writing does not bear closely upon the case it is not worth while to give specimens of it. The latest rumor is that as Judge Sullivan cannot foresee the termination of the trial he will adjourn it on June 1 matil after his vacation, recommening on July 10. until after his vacation, recommencing on July 10

of ignid light were seen to fail, followed by cascades of fire that poured in undulating streams of unbroken lava to the ground. This heightened the spectacle to a point of supreme magnificence.

On Sunday afternoon Floriana's streets and places were brave with flags and mottoes and palm branches and full of people. Three brass bands blew the town full of Donizetti and Verdi. The faces of the Maltese beamed with unaffected happiness. An American jubilee could take a lesson in enjoyment from a Maltese festal gathering, and an English crowd could take a lesson in enjoyment from a Maltese festal gathering, and an English crowd could take a lesson in enjoyment from a Maltese festal gathering, and an English crowd could take a lesson in enjoyment from a Maltese festal gathering, and an English crowd could take a lesson in enjoyment from a Maltese festal gathering, and an English crowd could take as lesson in enjoyment from a Maltese festal gathering, and an English crowd could take as lesson in enjoyment from a Maltese festal gathering and an English crowd could take as lesson in enjoyment from a Maltese festal gathering and an English crowd could take as lesson in enjoyment from a Maltese festal gathering and an English crowd could take as lesson in enjoyment from a Maltese festal gathering and an English crowd could take as lesson in enjoyment from a Maltese festal gathering and an English crowd could take as lesson in enjoyment from a Maltese festal gathering and an English crowd could take as lesson in enjoyment from a Maltese festal gathering and an English crowd could take as lesson in enjoyment from a Maltese festal gathering and an English crowd to the feather for the from the free from the from the from the free from the free from the from the from the from the free from the from the from the from the free from the from t

TOPICS IN LEADING CITIES.

SAN FRANCISCO.

SHARON'S CONFESSIONS - CHINESE DE-BAUCHERY-PROPOSED STEAMSHIP LINE. INY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 31.-There is a respite in the Sharon case for six weeks, in order to give the judge time to recuperate. This week has been conamed by the testimony of the ex-Senator, who delivered what certainly might be called an unvarnished tale. He frankly declared that he had paid the plaintiff \$500 per month to stay with him. but he objected to her being called a "mistress, He said he styled her "an illicit relation." His story was not shaken by cross-examination, but the seandal which it was feared would result from the efforts of the presecution to bring out the names of Mr. Sharon's many mistresses was obviated by the witness's admission that he maintained other women besides the plaintiff during the last four years. But none of them did he introduce to friends or allow to live in his hotel.

A new method of supplying Chinese women for this city has been discovered. Recently an old weman came from Hong Kong with a ticket to Victorm. Being unsuccessful in her attempt to land here, she went to Victoria, but soon after appeared in Portland with some young Chinese women, each of whom was accompanied by a Chinaman who claimed to be her husband. To boister their claims up they showed marriage certificates signed by justices of the peace. The next heard of them, they arrived here on a sicamer and succeeded in getting into Chinatown. It is now discovered that these women were shipped direct from China to Victoria and that the men who personated their husbands went from this city to Victoria for that purpose and now have the women in brothels which they keep.

The hanging of Major, the murderer, at Oakland last week has resulted in substantial gain to the science of surgery. About a week before the execution Major's arm was fractured in an effort to escape. After death it was found that the initial process of healing had begun and that this was effected by the organization of the blood which was poured out around the fracture at the time of the injury. This blood held the broken bones in place, and proves what was not known before, that prompt adjustment of bones in a fracture is essential to per-

An Anstralian who recently arrived here on his way to England says there is much talk at Melbourne and Sydney of the establishment of a fast line of steamers between Sydney and San Francisco. A voyage between those ports ought to be made in seventeen days, but now by reason of slow steamers and stoppage at Honolulu the trip is seldom made in less than twenty-five days. If a fast line were established, my informant said, it would get the patronage of a large number of Australian merchents who are forced to go to England during the summer and who dread the voyage across the Indian Ocean and through the Suez Canal in the fearful heats of midsunmer. They would choose the journey by way of this city and New-York were it not for loss of time. An Australian who recently arrived here on his

Decoration Day was generally observed in this city and throughout the coast. The street parade here was unusually fine and a large number of graves were decorated.

NEW-ORLEANS.

STREET-CLEANING - JUDGES AT WAR-DECORATION DAY. INT TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

New-Orleans, May 31 .- The public this week has been somewhat excited over the question of street-cleaning. On Sunday last the Rev. R. A Holland, recently of Chicago, and now pastor of Trinity Church, one of the wealthlest and most aristocratic congregations of the Episcopal denomination, in this city, published in The Picapene an ad-dress to the citizens of New-Orleans, in which the city officials having charge of the streets were denounced for negligence and a fearful picture drawn of the filth of the highways and byways of this city Mr. Holland is charged with exaggeration for the sake of creating a sensation, and he is accused of undertaking to emulate his predecessor, the Rev. Hugh Miller Thompson-who took an interest in sanitary matters and left the church to become a Bishop-without having Mr. Thompson's intelligence, talents or judgment. New-Orleans is peculiar as regards her streets. The drainage is entirely on the surface, and all the dirt the city has is expessed to view. There is no doubt that Dr. Holland for the purpose of making his point has colored his pic-ture too highly, but at the same time the streets have been very dirty, and are still far from clean. Their condition was, however, recognized and apof before Dr. Holland wrote, and the matter f cleaning them had been referred to committees of the Commercial and Health Boards. The public now is thoroughly aroused, and a united effort is to be made by the Sanitary Association, Board of Health and Commissioner of Public Works to clean

For several days in the fore part of the week the Joeal militia were kept in a state of suspense and excitement by the anticipation of the reception of orders to go to St. Martinsville and settle the difficulty between Judge Gates and Judge Fontelien, rival claimants of the District Judgeship. The State authorities were, however, cautious not to repeat the mistake they made last Sunday in the same matter in ordering out the troops when they were not needed. The contest has been carried to the courts and will be settled without military inter-

During the week there have been several highway During the week there have been several ringhway robberies in which the footpads obtained more or less booty. The highwaymen have operated at night and in pairs or tries. In no instance have they demanded a delivery of wealth, but in every case they have assaulted their victim and stinned him with a club. The highwaymen have become so lad that the average citizen is afraid to be out at wight.

The Louisiana delegation to the National Re-The Louisiana delegation to the National Republican Convention left yesterday for Chicago. They will vote for Arthur on the first ballot, but after that, unless it is certain the President can win, they will either go for Blaine, which is very probable, or be found swarming, endeavoring to light on the man who will receive the nomination.

Decoration Day was observed with the usual ceremones at Chaimette Cemetery. The proceedings were participated in by the organizations of ex-Confederates known as the Army of Tennessee and Army of Northern Virginia Associations, the Washington Artillery, and the Continental Guards, who each put floral offerings on the soldiers' monument

¡Society and the communit " generally were greatly (Society and the communit repenerally were greatly shocked to-day by the announcement in the city papers of the death by drowning of Mise Pennie Chaflee, daughter of Charles Chaflee, of the well-known cotton factorage firm of Chaflee & Powell, of this city. The young lady, who was a handsome branette just out of her teens and a belle in the highest society of New-Cricans, was visiting a married sister in Natchitoches, and yesterday while taking an early morning walk on the banks of Red River, which runs near her sister's residence, she fell in the water and was drowned. Her body was recovered.

CHICAGO.

A QUIET CONVENTION-THE MAY FESTIVAL -ILLINOIS GUARDSMEN. [BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

CHICAGO, May 31.-The interest of the week has naturally centred largely in the National Convention, but not in the absorbing way of four years ago. There has been markedly less preliminary hurrah, and the Convention now promises to come and go with much less of attendant excitement than was the case at the nominations in this city of Lincoln, Grant and Gartield. This is due either to the absence of great National figures among the delegates, a surcease of Convention fever, or the lack of excitement engendered by the candidates' names. The temper of Chicago is certainly mild in comparison to the Convention of 1880, and while the enthusiastic talk to be heard takes root about the name of Blaine, the jenthusiasia of the Arthur, Logan, Sherman, Edmunds and Hawley adherents has been so mild as not to awaken the Blaine fever to the high pitch which would be possible if it were fanned. All the concomitants of the excitement about the hotel lobbies of four years ago are wanting. The richly colored paintings of Grant and

few people berond those who are active participants | mates, holding the position of second marshal on his or are closely concerned in the ontcome of the Convention's labors. The delegates and the other workers are therefore spared in a great measure the mighty crush and discomfort of the former experience. Although still early, there are no indications that the Democratic assemblage will be accompanied by any greater flourish of trumpets than the ending one.

The May Musical Festival has been a success, but not to the extent its projectors had hoped, for the weather was unpropitions, the temperature having fallen so low that on the first three nights sealskins and great-coats were generally worn. This matself threw a chill over the performances, which was inreased by the vast expanse of the ball, and the fact that it was only two-thirds filled. While the audiences were large, only three of them filled the great hall to repletion, and these were drawn by the joint appearance of Nilsson and Materna and by the weather of the closing days of the week. Again, the xpanse of the auditorium was so great that the best efforts of the artists were in a measure lost. The volume of sound produced by the large chorus fell lightly upon the ears of the audience, and it was only on the rare occasions when the full strength of the orchestra, chorus and the blaring trumpets was joined that a sympathetic response could be wrung from the auditors. In this view, the festival, while financially a success, has not left in its wake any great amount of enthusiasm.

Speaking about opera festivals, F. W. Peck, who arrived from New-York a few days ago, reports having had a chat with Colone! Mapleson prior to his departure for Europe, in which that impresario gave the assurance that he would certainly return n time for the next opera season, that he had contracts signed with Patti, Scalchi and others, that he had secured control of the Metropolitan Opera Honse and had other definite American engage-ments. He asserted that he would make good his contract for the carrying out of the proposed opera festival here in the spring of 1885.

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Illinois possesses probably as serviceable a body of troops as any State in the Union which has contributed so little toward the support of her soldiery. The First Brigade has been ordered into camp during the third week in July. It is composed of four regiments of infantry, a battalion of eavalry, and two batteries of artiflery. These commands are all well drilled and will report for camp duty in a uniform and serviceable dress, patterned closely after that of the regular army, which has been paid for by the personal funds of the members of the respective corps. The State has contributed toward the armary rent of the commands and has supplied them with guns, but beyond this has contributed nothing toward their maintenance. The plack displayed by the troops under the circumstances in maintaining their organization is deemed phenomenal.

which in effect cularges the system of the South Di-vision Street Railroad Company to the exclusion of which is creek chircael Company to the exclusion of any competitor. The passage of the ordinance revived the question of bribery in the Conneil, which moved Daniel L. Shorey, a member of that body, to say: "I have no specific charge of pribery to present against any Alderman, but this I know, that no ordinance in the interest of a corporation has been passed by the Council for some years without it having been settled for in advance. The same gertleman declares that he thoroughly believes that the Chicago and Evanston Railroad Company paid \$103,000 for the passage of an ordinance in its interest, and that the Louncil will not anthorize the sale of the lake front, owing to the fact that the railway companies interested will not pay \$100,000 "bonus," or in other words, put that amount forward in the shape of bribe money.

efficacy of underground telegraphy, is now superin-tending the placing of all the city wires under-ground. The city electrician, thoroughly convinced of the

Growing out of the recent financial flurry, the demand is being pressed here in some quarters for a weekly statement by the associated banks, as has come to be the rule in New-York City.

Before the close of the present season, the promise is given by the authorities that practically every street in the business part of the city will be laid

BOSTON.

THE LEGISLATURE - MUNICIPAL - ANNI-VERSARIES-HARVARD'S NEGRO STUDENT. FROM AN OCCASIONAL CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE.]

Boston, May 31 .- The session of the Masschusetts Legislature new drawing to the usual tardy one will be pointed to as a powerful argument for sub his body has been dawdling over small matters with barely a quorum present for about two hours each day The full-ranked and well-disciplined Butlerite minority as always had an advantage in these thin houses, an with the aid of a few Republican reactionists has de leated the inequires most dealed by the better sentimen of the State. If the Civil Service Reform bill gets through it will only be after the whiffling and disingenusents and disagreements on amendments blican leaders and supported by the spotis Democracy The bill to withdraw the Mayor's appointments of ex curive officers from the risk of rejection by the Commconneil, after passing the Senate in face of strenuo opposition from the country districts, was overwhelming oted down in the House. Meanwhile both houses have passed a salary grab with much unanimity. In short the ecord of the Legislature will be a contemptible one he Senate is pullorled in an investigation of charges o ribery preferred by the defeated water-gas pror the themselves meditained a scandalous lobby heads nators whose districts are upon the Old Colony Radi road has given rise to the suspicion that the deteat of th Cape Cod Canal Company was log rolled with the defeat of water-gas. The only tangit is evidence educed, however, was that of Senator Whittier, of Boston, who wears that he was offered \$1,000 by the old gas moopoly's agent to refrain from voting.

The Ideaslock in the municipal offices which has been brought about by the refusal of the Democratic Common Caucell to confirm the Mayor's appointments until he will agree to " divvy " on the spoils of the Street Department, promises to continue indefinitely. It can do so without great harm to any material interest-the offices being telerably well administered by the meembents

The fiquor retailers are in a quantary, first, because heir licenses for this year have not been renewed in ime, and they are being vigorously prosecuted for sellig without license by the Law and Order League, a new ing without facense by the Law and Order League, a new smap "on them; and, second, because when the Mayor coches their licenses he may conclude that licenses ranted by a Police Commission which contains but two cembers, whereas the law says it must have three, are of fit for his signature. The prospects of bringing Layor Martinto withdraw Colonel Rand's nomination and carpointing General Wales to the Commission have archived.

The Boston anniversaries have not been remarkably interesting. The Congregationalists at their club dinner instemed to the Andover processors in their sported avowal and defence of their "new departure" in the plogy with every demonstration of approval and indeed entinesiasm. The Unitarians at their festival were waked

Chicago.

The splendid gift of Lerelle's colessal landscape (slx-teen feet by tweiver to the Museum of Fine Aris has just come out, although the bainting was hing in the Museum a month ago, the directors not dreaming then that it was intended for a gift. The donor is Mr. Francis [C. Foster, of Cambridge, a Jawyer. The pointing was one of the principal successes of the Salom of 1881. Riveressents two peasant women walking along the bank of a river. Their figures are of Hie size, and together with the gray times and distribution of lights in the picture produce a resultance effect that is as starting to the uneducated out-

One of the most interesting incidents fo the approach
ag Commencement at Harvard will be the graduation
um loude, of Robert H. Terrell, a Vitxinta-born negro He entered Harvard as a waiter in the dining hall. He will be graduated among the first seven of his class, and his carafion on "The Negro Race in Americal since Eman-cipation" is among the few indeed worthy of delivery at

SPOKES FROM THE HUB.

Boston, May 31 .- Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bailey Aldrich will spend the summer travelling in Bussia, as goests of the Hon. Henry L. Pierce, of Milton. General Trancis A. Walker and family will spend the ammer in Belmont, Where General Walker has leased e country house formerly occupied by Mr. W. D.

Captain Nathan Appleton (brother of the late T. G. Appleton) sails for Europe on June 7, to be absent dur-ing the summer. He will join Mrs. Ole Bull and the Misses Longfellow and party on their trip to Norway in

Sherman are lacking. The headquarter signs are modest; and apart from the banners of the Blaine people from the coast, all the glitter and fierce excitement of the preceding canvass are absent. This would hardly have been deemed possible, but within two days of the Convention proper it becomes a reality. The event has drawn into the city of the graduate of Farranci of the class of 79. He was one of the graduate of Farranci of the class of 79. He was one of the contract of the graduate of Farranci of the class of 79. He was one of the contract of the graduate of Farranci of the class of 79. He was one of the contract of the graduate of Farranci of the class of 79. He was one of the contract of the graduate of Farranci of the class of 79. He was one of the contract of the graduate of Farranci of the class of 79. He was one of the contract of the graduate of Farranci of the class of 79. He was one of the contract of the class of 79. He was one of the class of 79. He was one of the contract of the proble dimer tendence to the contract of the public dimer tendence to the contract of the contract of the class of the contract of the con

class-day. During his senter year Mr. Lowell was president of the Harvard Athletic Association.

The twenty-first annual meeting of the Examiner Club was held at the Parker House on Wednesday evening This club is a social and literary association, which for the first, few years was confined to the editors and contributors of The Christian Expanser. Later its member embraced many of the leading literary men of Boston. The Rev. Dr. James Freeman Clarke was chosen prestdent for the ensuing year, the Rev. Dr. Edward Everett Hale vice-president, and Henry Gardner Denny treas-

Professor W. W. Goodwin's paper upon "Plato Aristotle and Immortality," read before the Metaphysical Club Wednesday afternoon, attracted an unusually notable company. Among those present were Dr. Richar Hughes, of London, William T. Harris, Dr. Henr Barnard, Thomas Davidson, and Miss Ball Hughes, the

The long-heralded combination serial novel by four The long-heralded combination serial novel by four well-known Eoaton litterateurs, Messrs. John Boyle O'Reilly, Robert Grant, F. J. Simson, and John F. Wheelright, makes its debut in The Globe to-morrow. The story is called "The King's Men: A Tale of Tomorrow". There are twenty-one chapters, and it will run ten weeks. "The first instalment promises more than well for a powerful story, in which the politics of the future, as well as social life, play an knowtant part. The authors are solemnly bound not to disclose whose work is whose, but it is safe to guess by the style that John Boyle O'Reilly lends off.

The new Memorial Unitarian Building, for which \$152,000 has been subscribed, is to be erected at the corner of Beacon and Bowdoin sta, nearly opposite the

corner of Beacon and Rowdom sits, nearly opposite the Boston Athenraum. The site is a most desirable one, being central, and retired as well. The work of building will be started at once, and the committee hope to be able to welcome their friends and fellow clergymen, when another anniversary week comes round, in their new and commodious quarters.

PHILADELPHIA.

MUNICIPAL, SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

FROM AN OCCASIONAL CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE. PHILADELPHIA, May 31 .- A grand drive to he Park has long been the desire of many influential sitizens. Plans were prepared, but the Council's committee pefore whom the project came have defeated it. This causes general dissatisfaction, more especially as it is thought to be in the interest of a steam railroad. The natter, however, is not finally settled, for the need of a drive is too apparent for it to be disposed of in this

When the Union Line passenger rallway syndicafe gots its cable motor in operation on Market and other streets, it will have to meet the question of five-cent fares. The law is very explicit that no new privileges may be granted a city railroad unless the fare cents. On Market at the work of placing the cable is moldly proceeding.

It has been quietly talked over as a little old that during the visit of Mrs. Rutherford B. Hayes to this city in attendance upon a Methodist meeting, no "society" entertainments were heard of in her bonor. Mrs. Hayes is not what may be called a "society" woman, but it is thought that as the wife of an ex-President there should have been for her dinners and re-

Thirty-five members of the M. S. Quay Club, composes of colored citizens, leave for the Chicago Convention tsmorrow morning. They go in special Pullman cars and are accompanied by a band.

Yesterday the eighty-four Indian girls being educated at the Lincoln Institute removed for the summer to the old Spread Eagle Hotel on Lancaster furngike near Wayne Station. The free use of the hotel is given by G. W. Childs, its owner.

In Lancaster County some of the country folks have so confused the words creamery and crematory that the cremation people have officially decided upon the term, "cremative furnace." At a funeral in Chester County which was atte-

one thousand people, six hundred of them returned to the house for dinner. The custom of giving dunner to all who come to a funeral from a distance is the rule in Lan caster County, but it is not usual in Chester.

Next Thursday the physicians of Philadelphia give a dinner to Professor Stille, who refires from the University of Pennsylvania, at the Hotel Believus. The dinner was postponed from May 22 on account of the death of Dr. Gross. Prominent physicians from other etties will be present.

NEW-JERSEY COAST NOTES.

ROW THE REGULAR CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNK. Long Branch, May 30.—The contract for the ron needed for the new pler at Cape May City ? has seen given to the Phæsix Iron Works, and over half

Mrs. C. P. Tult, of Philadelphia, has rented a large cottage at Point Pleasant City. Daniel Edwards has purchased the John E. Maps prop-erty at Long Branch and will at once begin the con-

struction of a handsome cottage.

C. H. Middleton and family, of Philadelphia, will oc cupy the Wright cottage at Atlantic City the approaching William G. Symns and wife, of New-York, have en-

aged rooms at the West End Hotel, Long Branch. George W. Evans, secretary of the Ocean Grove Meeting Association, has sold four lots at Ocean Camp Meeting Association, but Grave to Ira Downs for \$6,000. Mr. Moulton, of New-York, has leased the cottage of

pige Granville P. Hawes, of the same city, on Lincoln-A large sea lion which, it is supposed, has escaped from

pienagerie, has been seen several times recently in Methodist Ditch," one of the small creeks south of outh Atlantic City. Joseph T. Low, of New-York, is expending about \$25,000 in the erection of a large cottage on the Rumson

Road. The first story is of Philadelphia brick like the cottage of George R. Blanchard, of New-York, on Oceanave., Elberon. Mrs. M. P. Banks and Mrs. Physic Smith, both of

New-York, will spend the coming season with their fami-lies at their cottages at Ellesmere. Arrangements are being made to secure son nost distinguished Protestant Episcopal elergymen of the country for the summer services at St. Peter's in

Galilee, at Monmouth Beach. This is probably the handomest church edifice on the New-Jersey sea coast. Atlantic City will have a professional basebali nine cuown as the August Flower Club, the coming season, and games will be played daily during the summer.

The bandsome place of David B. Keeler, jr., of New York, on the Romson Road, has been named "The Lin-J. C. Mitchell, of New-York, has erected a large Swiss

cottage on Fourth-ave., Atlantic Highlands. It has been rented to Mrs. McMartin, of Schenectady, N. Y., for the approaching season.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has erected a

andsome station at Sea Side Park. Henry Cook, of Asbury Park, is building a cottage at

Arthur Alien is creeting a cottage at Point Pleasant

Adolph E. Dick, of New-York, proprietor of the Hotel Newport, at Key East, reports prospects of a good eason. He has rented a large number of rooms. George W. Martin, real estate dealer at Ocean Grove.

George W. Martin, real estate design a strength says the collages there are renting rapidly at a slight locking in the remains obtained for the last two seasons, and the coming season will be a good one.

William Lovell, of New-York, has paid \$15,000 for the momenty of Mrs. Samuel Moon, of Philadolphia, at Bath reperty of Mrs. Samuel Moon, of Philadelphia, at Hath ad Ocean aves., Long Branch. The Bay View House at the Atlantic Highlands, has

seen refurnished.

The Berkeley Arms, at Berkeley, will open for the cason Saturday, June 7, a week earlier than was first supposed, at the request of many of fits guests. Charles We Monaghe and family, of Bensen est., Brook yn, go to the cottage on the Ruinson Road next week. Judke Wailing and family of Keyport, N. J., will soon see py their new cottage on Heck-st., Ocean Grove. William H. Foster has rented the Harris cottage on Berkeley and the Marks of the St. Ocean Grove.

Cillian H. Foster has remed the Harris coffage on rid ave, Atlantic Highlands, is cottage of William L. McIntyre, adjoining the Manni House on Ocean ave, Long Braineh, has been leased George Middleton, of New York, seorge C. Boldt and family, of Philadelphia, have gone

taken rooms for the season in the Barkeley.

P. D. Hall of New-York has leased the cottage of John Buckalew on First-ave., Asbury Park.

Colonel A. H. McNeal of Burnington, N. J., will occupy one of Paniel R. Lyddys's handsome cottages on Ocean-

avec, Elberon.
The Johnson cottage on Third-eve. Atlantic Highlands, has been rented to C. B. Clark, of Sing Sing, N. Y.
The Elberon, at Elberon, is now open for the season. It has been improved and partially refurnished. Gas has been introduced in the house.
Isaac H. Exons, of Bryn Mawy, Penu, has leased the cottage of W. J. Love, on Connecticut-ave., Atlantic City.

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William H. Dougherty and family, of Philadelphia, go to their coffage at Point Pleasant City next week.

W. H. Turner and J. R. Turner, both of Jersey City. have purchased coffages at Brielle.

P. S. Chanfran, too actor, and family, are at their cot-

ART NEWS AND COMMENTS.

CLOSE OF THE ART SEASON.

NOTES OF THE SEASON'S WORK-NEW PICTURES TO BE SEEN HERE-ART NEWS OUT OF TOWN.

The exhibition of the Society of American Artists will continue until June 26, but with this exception the art senson may fairly be considered at an end. Although the past senson began and ends with disappointments, it has presented events of importance to amateurs, and American art has received a marked stimulus. The autumn exhibition of the Academy was a negative performance, and the exhibition of the Salmagundi Club fell hopelessly flat both as regarded interest and sales. The sketches and studies shown at the American Art Gallery were good in their modest way, but the prospects of native art for the season remained doubtful until the opening of the Clarke exhibition in December.

It seems fair to say now that this exhibition struck the keynote of the season. Even experienced amateurs were surprised to find that so worthy a private collection could be formed from the works of native artists. So striking an illustration of the fact that it is no longer necessary to go abroad to secure excellent pictures could not pass unnoticed, and it is believed that the resources of American art thus indicated will be utilized much more extensively in the future. The fairly creditable exhibition of the Artists' Fund Society wish its encouraging sales, the studio view of

"Niagara," by Mr. George Inness, with the subsequent notable Inness exhibition just closed, the bright and clever display of the Pastel Club, and the Harrison exhibition' have excited varying degrees of local interest. hibition' have excited varying degrees of focal interest. The names of Messrs. Homer, F. S. Church, Weldon, Kappes, Thomas Moran, Weir, C. Y. Turner and many others will be recalled in connection with the Water-color Exhibition. The showing was up to the average, but the sales were not. The decorations were of extraordinary sumptuousness, and the hanging was characterized by equally extraordinary eccentricities. The etchers fully held their own, and there were several new accessions to their ranks. At the Academy exhibition the systemless style of hanging with the time-honored observance of Academic privileges forced much excellent work into the background. But on the whole the collection presented more points of interest than usual, one of the chief of which was the vigorous development of the school of detail painting. The awards of the Chuke and Hallgarten prizes appear to have been received with satisfaction. The sales showed a talking off, yet it is evident that increased attention has been directed to American art this year, and had the local financial conditions been more favorable, this development of interest would have taken practical and most gratifying shape. Of the current exhibition by the younger artists it is only necessary to say here that neither the decision of the members to hold their exhibition at this time nor the idealess eccentricities which have been given so prominent a place in their exhibitions of the year in the past and has exerted so valuable an influence should be placed in a false and ridiculous position through mismanagement. The names of Messrs. Homer, F. S. Church, Weldon, ridiculous position through mismanagement.

The past season has presented displays of foreign art

which will not soon be forgotten. In the autumn Mr. Marquand exhibited his fine examples of Rembrondt, Franz Hals, Reynolds, Velazquez and Jurian Orens at the Metropolitan Museum, where the collection of copies of old masters was shown at the same time. The Bartholdi Pedestal Fund Loan Exhibition opened Bartholdi Pedestal Fund Loan Exhibition opened December 3 with illustrations of almost every branch of art, including a remarkable group of paintings, appealing strongly to connoisseurs if not to the popular taste, made up of the works of such men as Millet, Mettling, Nenyhuys, Manve, Maris, Vollen, Roybet, Michel, Corot, Cazin, Stevens, Courbet, Manet and Monticelii. In the same month Mr. W. H. Vanderbith held an art reception at which his 260 paintings were found arranged in newly enlarged galleries, with such fresh additions as Millet's "Sower," Lefebvre's "Tollet of the Bride," Breton's "Rambow," Turner's "Fountain of Indolence," and examples of Leys, Rousseau, Bargue and Alma-Tadema. No event in the art year, however, surpassed in importance the opening of the Walters Galleries at Bahtimore with the Oriental and other collections, of which The Tritune, gave extended accounts. At the Brooklyn Loan Exhibition in aid of the Pedestal Fund the selection of paintings was conducted in a "fiberal" spirit, as was seen by the curious mingling of foreign artists, although the "old guard" were well to the fore with twenty-three pictures attributed to Diaz and ten by Rousseau. American art was represented as well. The net receipts were \$3,700, and the profits of the New-York exhibition for the same purpose were \$13,800. Other special features of the year are the unveiling of Mr. St. Gaudens's statue of Robert Randsil, the successful casting in bronze of Mr. Warner's statue of Wushington, the completion of Mr. Ward's statue of Wushington, the completion of Mr. Ward's statue of Wushington, the completion of Mr. Ward's statue of Wushington, the successful casting of William Lloyd Garrison for Boston, and the exhibition of Mr. Hovenden's "John Brown." It may fairly be said after this hasty and partial summary that American interest in art has rapidly increased, and the "fittest" native artists may reasonably look forward to an active and presperous season. December 3 with illustrations of almost every branch

ward to an active and prosperous season. At the exhibition of the Society of American Artists there have been as yet no sales. The attendance is stated to be good.

A "summer exhibition" of paintings was opened at the American Art Gallery yesterday. by Mr. F. K. M. Rehn and Mr. Boggs's "Old Houses, Dordrecht Canal," occupy prominent positions. Mr Depuett Grover has painted a view of a Venetian market, and there are landscapes by Messrs. Wyant, Crane, W. B. Baker, Bolmer, Van Boskerek and Sar-Crane, W. B. Baker, Bolmer, Van Boskerek and Sartain, with flower pieces by Messrs. Freer and P. W.
Parton. Mr. F. D. Millet sends a study of a girl with
vivid auburn hair, against a delicate light background,
and, there is a twilight study, "Old Houses on the
Tiber," by Mr. Samuel Colman. Mr. Leon Moran has
contributed a sketch which will recall his water-color,
"The Outpost." A study, "Cherub Faces," by Mr.
George Fuller, and pictures by Mrs. Sarah W. Whitman, Miss Klizabeth Boott and Miss Anna P. Dix well
reversed the work of Boston artists. It is stated that represent the work of Boston artists. It is stated that any tickets for the Inness exhibition which are out-standing will be accepted for admission to this cal

Mr. Frank Fowler gave a "studio view" of a per-trait of Madame Modjeska yesterday.

Cards have been sent out from the Cooper Union for "a private view of some of the works of art of Mr. Edward Kemeys, the sculptor, consisting of a large panel of dead game, Indian vases, the model of a hunter at his work, an elaborate terra-cotta maotel piece, representing wild game, a bas-relief of Sitting Bull, war senting wild game, a bas-relief of Sitting Bull, war chief of the Sioux, etc., etc., referred to in 'The Century' of this month." This work, which is thoroughly naturalistic, shows forcible expression, a rade vigor in modelling, trained powers of observation, and has, as was well said, "a value as a record." In finartistic feeling and subtlety of treatment these models are lacking, but they have an interest as being animated portraits of a brute and Indian life comparatively unfamiliar to frequenters of local exhibitions. It is to be hoped that those who have read of this work will be able to overcome their disappointment sufficiently to recognize the merit which it really contains. will be able to overcome their disappointment sufficiently to recognize the merit which it really contain

The number of artists going abroad this summer will be smaller than usual, although several bave already sailed. Others have gone to the country or are on the point of going, and the list of closed studies lengthens from day to day.

The June " Art Amateur" contains a view of a ceil ing panel in Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt's house excented by Mr. John La Farge. Below this is given a view of a marble frieze to a tomb, attributed to Mattio Civitali and executed about 1500. The only difference of conand executed about 1500. The only difference of consequence appears to be that the central panel of the old frieze presents a face seen in profile, while the corresponding panel of the modern work shows what may be taken to be a coat of arms. The other panels are practicely

The June number of the little Boston magazine, "The George C. Bolul and George State Senator Henry Sutton, of Philadelphia have state senator Henry Sutton, of Philadelphia have taken the Burns cottage at Cape May City.

The Rev. William Pitt Corbit will spend the gungaer at the Sheldon House, Ocean Grove.

Mrs. Loaks Smith and family, of New-York, are at their cottage on Broadway. Long Branch.

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Art Student, is requered more than 2 variety and interest of its illustrations. There are state senator Henry Sutton, of Philadel phin, has rented as house at Haverford, Penn., and has taken a coftage prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and prints from sketches in oil, charcoal, pen and ink and pen and p

lection at present on view, comprising some sixty different subjects, though small as to the number of de signs, is eminently worthy of attention, not as an interesting artistië display, but as a striking departure from the generally preconceived notions of pictorial effect in the generally preconceived notions of pictorial effect in the juxtaposition of the common rules of coloring and perspective. Nevertheless, it may be considently affirmed, after a careful inspection of these paintings from the Far East, and by artists whose highest efforts were ordinarily supposed to range no further than the decoration of a lacquer tray or the painting of fans sercens, and other Oriental knick kaneks, that thebest painters of the West may yet learn something and de-rive many valuable insplications from a study of the Japanese Salon. Both in delicacy of touck and design, in the judicious and pleasing gradations of tint, con-trasted with bold and apleited delineations in form or style, the Japanese linners stand unrivalted in their way."